

**U.S. District Court**  
**California Northern District (Oakland)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 4:20-cv-05504-JST**

Apple Inc. v. Koss Corporation  
Assigned to: Judge Jon S. Tigar  
Cause: 28:2201 Declaratory Judgement

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Jury Demand: Plaintiff  
Nature of Suit: 830 Patent  
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/07/2020	<a href="#">1</a>	COMPLAINT <i>FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT</i> against Koss Corporation ( Filing fee \$ 400, receipt number 0971-14790565.). Filed by Apple Inc.. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit 1 - US10206025, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit 2 - US10298451, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit 3 - US10469934, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit 4 - US10491982, # <a href="#">5</a> Exhibit 5 - US10506325, # <a href="#">6</a> Civil Cover Sheet)(Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020	<a href="#">2</a>	Proposed Summons. (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020	<a href="#">3</a>	Certificate of Interested Entities by Apple Inc. (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)

		<i>10,298,451; 10,469,934; 10,491,982; 10,506,325</i> (cc: form mailed to register). (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020	<a href="#">5</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Michael Thomas Pieja (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020	6	Case assigned to Magistrate Judge Susan van Keulen.  Counsel for plaintiff or the removing party is responsible for serving the Complaint or Notice of Removal, Summons and the assigned judge's standing orders and all other new case documents upon the opposing parties. For information, visit <i>E-Filing A New Civil Case</i> at <a href="http://cand.uscourts.gov/ecf/caseopening">http://cand.uscourts.gov/ecf/caseopening</a> .  Standing orders can be downloaded from the court's web page at <a href="http://www.cand.uscourts.gov/judges">www.cand.uscourts.gov/judges</a> . Upon receipt, the summons will be issued and returned electronically. Counsel is required to send chambers a copy of the initiating documents pursuant to L.R. 5-1(e)(7). A scheduling order will be sent by Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF) within two business days. Consent/Declination due by 8/21/2020. (bwS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020	<a href="#">7</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Kenneth Frederick Baum (Baum, Kenneth) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020	<a href="#">8</a>	MOTION for leave to appear in Pro Hac Vice ( Filing fee \$ 310, receipt number 0971-14790782.) filed by Apple Inc.. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Certificate of Good Standing)(Littmann, Alan) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/07/2020	<a href="#">9</a>	MOTION for leave to appear in Pro Hac Vice ( Filing fee \$ 310, receipt number 0971-14790792.) filed by Apple Inc.. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Certificate of Good Standing)(Abendshien, Lauren) (Filed on 8/7/2020) (Entered: 08/07/2020)
08/10/2020	<a href="#">10</a>	<b>ORDER OF RECUSAL. Signed by Judge Susan van Keulen on 8/10/2020. (svklc1S, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/10/2020) (Entered: 08/10/2020)</b>
08/10/2020	<a href="#">11</a>	<b>ORDER REASSIGNING CASE. Case reassigned using a proportionate, random, and blind system pursuant to General Order No. 44 to Magistrate Judge Sallie Kim for all further proceedings re Order of Recusal. Magistrate Judge Susan van Keulen no longer assigned to case. (bwS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/10/2020) (Entered: 08/10/2020)</b>
08/10/2020	<a href="#">12</a>	Summons Issued as to Koss Corporation. (elyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/10/2020) (Entered: 08/10/2020)
08/10/2020	<a href="#">13</a>	<b>Initial Case Management Scheduling Order with ADR Deadlines: Case Management Statement due by 11/2/2020. Initial Case Management Conference set for 11/9/2020 01:30 PM in San Francisco, Courtroom C, 15th Floor. (elyS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/10/2020) (Entered: 08/10/2020)</b>
08/11/2020	<a href="#">14</a>	SUMMONS Returned Executed by Apple Inc.. Koss Corporation served on 8/11/2020, answer due 9/1/2020. (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 8/11/2020) (Entered: 08/11/2020)
08/13/2020	<a href="#">15</a>	CONSENT/DECLINATION to Proceed Before a US Magistrate Judge by Apple Inc... (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 8/13/2020) (Entered: 08/13/2020)
08/17/2020	<a href="#">16</a>	<b>ORDER REASSIGNING CASE. Case reassigned using a proportionate, random, and blind system pursuant to General Order No. 44 to Judge Jon S. Tigar for all further proceedings. Magistrate Judge Sallie Kim no longer assigned to case, Notice: The assigned judge participates in the Cameras in the Courtroom Pilot Project. See General Order No. 65 and <a href="http://cand.uscourts.gov/cameras">http://cand.uscourts.gov/cameras</a>.. Signed by Clerk on 8/17/20. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Notice of Eligibility for Video Recording)(asS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/17/2020) (Entered: 08/17/2020)</b>
08/17/2020	<a href="#">17</a>	CLERK'S NOTICE SETTING CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE. Case Management

		in Oakland, Courtroom 6, 2nd Floor. (mlls, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/17/2020) (Entered: 08/17/2020)
08/18/2020	<a href="#">18</a>	<b>Order by Judge Jon S. Tigar granting <a href="#">8</a> Motion for Pro Hac Vice as to Alan E. Littmann. (mlls, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/18/2020) (Entered: 08/18/2020)</b>
08/18/2020	<a href="#">19</a>	<b>Order by Judge Jon S. Tigar granting <a href="#">9</a> Motion for Pro Hac Vice as to Lauren Abendshien. (mlls, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 8/18/2020) (Entered: 08/18/2020)</b>
08/19/2020	<a href="#">20</a>	NOTICE of Appearance by Peter Edward Soskin (Soskin, Peter) (Filed on 8/19/2020) (Entered: 08/19/2020)
09/02/2020	<a href="#">21</a>	STIPULATION TO EXTEND DEFENDANT'S TIME TO ANSWER PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT PURSUANT TO CIVIL LOCAL RULE 6-1 filed by Apple Inc. and Koss Corporation. (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 9/2/2020) Modified on 9/2/2020 (jmls, COURT STAFF). (Entered: 09/02/2020)
09/15/2020	<a href="#">22</a>	STIPULATION TO EXTEND DEFENDANT'S TIME TO ANSWER PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT PURSUANT TO CIVIL LOCAL RULE 6-1 filed by Apple Inc.. (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 9/15/2020) (Entered: 09/15/2020)
09/15/2020		<a href="#">Electronic filing error</a> . <b>REMINDER:</b> Case division and case location information are incorrect. <b>The correct information is Oakland Division and the case number should be 4:20-cv-5504 JST.</b> Re: <a href="#">22</a> Stipulation filed by Apple Inc. (jmls, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/15/2020) (Entered: 09/16/2020)
09/29/2020	<a href="#">23</a>	Corporate Disclosure Statement by Koss Corporation (Soskin, Peter) (Filed on 9/29/2020) (Entered: 09/29/2020)
09/29/2020	<a href="#">24</a>	MOTION to Transfer Case filed by Koss Corporation. Motion Hearing set for 10/28/2020 02:00 PM in Oakland, Courtroom 6, 2nd Floor before Judge Jon S. Tigar. Responses due by 10/13/2020. Replies due by 10/20/2020. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Exhibit A, # <a href="#">2</a> Proposed Order)(Soskin, Peter) (Filed on 9/29/2020) (Entered: 09/29/2020)
09/30/2020	<a href="#">25</a>	CLERK'S NOTICE Continuing Motion Hearing. The motion hearing previously set for 10/28/2020 is CONTINUED due to not being set in compliance with Civil Local Rule 7-2. Set/Reset Deadlines as to <a href="#">24</a> MOTION to Transfer Case . Motion Hearing set for 11/4/2020 02:00 PM in Oakland, Courtroom 6, 2nd Floor before Judge Jon S. Tigar. <i>(This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.)</i> , (Related documents(s) <a href="#">24</a> )(mlls, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 9/30/2020) (Entered: 09/30/2020)
10/13/2020	<a href="#">26</a>	OPPOSITION/RESPONSE (re <a href="#">24</a> MOTION to Transfer Case ) filed by Apple Inc.. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Declaration of Mark Rollins, # <a href="#">2</a> Declaration of Lauren Abendshien, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit A, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit B, # <a href="#">5</a> Exhibit C, # <a href="#">6</a> Exhibit D, # <a href="#">7</a> Exhibit E, # <a href="#">8</a> Exhibit F, # <a href="#">9</a> Exhibit G, # <a href="#">10</a> Exhibit H, # <a href="#">11</a> Exhibit I, # <a href="#">12</a> Exhibit J, # <a href="#">13</a> Exhibit K, # <a href="#">14</a> Exhibit L, # <a href="#">15</a> Exhibit M, # <a href="#">16</a> Exhibit N) (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 10/13/2020) (Entered: 10/13/2020)
10/19/2020	<a href="#">27</a>	ADR Certification (ADR L.R. 3-5 b) of discussion of ADR options (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 10/19/2020) (Entered: 10/19/2020)
10/19/2020	<a href="#">28</a>	ADR Certification (ADR L.R. 3-5 b) of discussion of ADR options (Soskin, Peter) (Filed on 10/19/2020) (Entered: 10/19/2020)
10/20/2020	<a href="#">29</a>	Administrative Motion to File Under Seal filed by Koss Corporation. (Attachments: # <a href="#">1</a> Declaration of Peter E. Soskin in Support of Administrative Motion to Seal, # <a href="#">2</a> SEALED VERSION of Defendant Koss Corporation's Reply in Support of its Motion to Dismiss or Otherwise Transfer Under Rule 12, # <a href="#">3</a> REDACTED VERSION of Defendant Koss Corporation's Reply in Support of its Motion to Dismiss or Otherwise Transfer Under Rule 12, # <a href="#">4</a> Exhibit B - SEALED VERSION, # <a href="#">5</a> Exhibit B - PUBLIC VERSION, # <a href="#">6</a> Proposed Order)(Soskin, Peter) (Filed on 10/20/2020) (Entered: 10/20/2020)

		Motion to Dismiss or Otherwise Transfer Under Rule 12, # <a href="#">2</a> Exhibit B, # <a href="#">3</a> Exhibit C)(Soskin, Peter) (Filed on 10/20/2020) (Entered: 10/20/2020)
10/26/2020	<a href="#">31</a>	Declaration of Jeff Lasker in Support of <a href="#">29</a> Administrative Motion to File Under Seal filed by Apple Inc.. (Related document(s) <a href="#">29</a> ) (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 10/26/2020) (Entered: 10/26/2020)
10/28/2020	<a href="#">32</a>	Certificate of Interested Entities by Koss Corporation (Soskin, Peter) (Filed on 10/28/2020) (Entered: 10/28/2020)
10/28/2020	33	<p>CLERKS NOTICE SETTING ZOOM HEARING. Motion Hearing set for 11/4/2020 02:00 PM in Videoconference Only before Judge Jon S. Tigar. This proceeding will be held via a Zoom webinar.</p> <p><b>Webinar Access:</b> All counsel, members of the public, and media may access the webinar information at <a href="https://www.cand.uscourts.gov/jst">https://www.cand.uscourts.gov/jst</a></p> <p><b>Court Appearances:</b> Advanced notice is required of counsel or parties who wish to be identified by the court as making an appearance or will be participating in the argument at the hearing. One list of names of all counsel appearing for all parties must be sent in one email to the CRD at JSTCRD@cand.uscourts.gov no later than November 3, 2020 by 2:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>General Order 58.</b> Persons granted access to court proceedings held by telephone or videoconference are reminded that photographing, recording, and rebroadcasting of court proceedings, including screenshots or other visual copying of a hearing, is absolutely prohibited.</p> <p><b>Zoom Guidance and Setup:</b> <a href="https://www.cand.uscourts.gov/zoom/">https://www.cand.uscourts.gov/zoom/</a>.</p> <p>, Set/Reset Deadlines as to <a href="#">24</a> MOTION to Transfer Case . Motion Hearing set for 11/4/2020 02:00 PM in Videoconference Only before Judge Jon S. Tigar. (This is a text-only entry generated by the court. There is no document associated with this entry.) (mllS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/28/2020) (Entered: 10/28/2020)</p>
10/29/2020	<a href="#">34</a>	MOTION for leave to appear in Pro Hac Vice ( Filing fee \$ 310, receipt number 0971-15131102.) filed by Koss Corporation. (Weed, Benjamin) (Filed on 10/29/2020) (Entered: 10/29/2020)
10/29/2020	<a href="#">35</a>	MOTION for leave to appear in Pro Hac Vice ( Filing fee \$ 310, receipt number 0971-15131210.) filed by Koss Corporation. (Johnson, Gina) (Filed on 10/29/2020) (Entered: 10/29/2020)
10/29/2020	<a href="#">36</a>	<b>Order by Judge Jon S. Tigar granting <a href="#">34</a> Motion for Pro Hac Vice as to Benjamin E. Weed. (mllS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/29/2020) (Entered: 10/29/2020)</b>
10/29/2020	<a href="#">37</a>	<b>ORDER by Judge Jon S. Tigar granting <a href="#">35</a> Motion for Pro Hac Vice as to Gina A. Johnson. (mllS, COURT STAFF) (Filed on 10/29/2020) (Entered: 10/29/2020)</b>
11/03/2020	<a href="#">38</a>	JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT filed by Apple Inc. and Koss Corporation. (Pieja, Michael) (Filed on 11/3/2020) Modified on 11/4/2020 (jmlS, COURT STAFF). (Entered: 11/03/2020)
11/04/2020	39	<p><b>Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Jon S. Tigar: Motion Hearing held on 11/4/2020 re <a href="#">24</a> MOTION to Transfer, Dismiss, or Stay Case filed by Koss Corporation, <a href="#">29</a> Administrative Motion to File Under Seal filed by Koss Corporation ; granting <a href="#">24</a> Motion to Stay Case; granting <a href="#">29</a> Administrative Motion to File Under Seal. Hearing held via Zoom videoconference. Argument heard from parties. The Court issued it's ruling from the bench, GRANTING the Motion to Stay, and GRANTING the Administrative Motion to File Under Seal. Case Stayed. The transcript of today's hearing will serve as the Court's written order.</b></p> <p><b>Total Time in Court: 43 minutes. Court Reporter: Diane Skillman.</b>  <b>Plaintiff Attorney: Michael Pieja, Alan Littmann, Lauren Abendshein, Jessica Hannah - Annle Representative.</b></p>

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